

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 9, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2239 - HB 2440**

This bill, if enacted, will amend the existing statute regarding fish and wildlife violations. The bill creates a felony penalty for illegally possessing and/or selling protected wildlife. Depending upon the value of the wildlife, the penalty may range from a Class E to a Class B felony.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to result in an increase in state expenditures of \$4,500 for incarceration*. This estimate is based upon one conviction per year at a Class E felony receiving a sentence of one year with 30% or 110 days being served.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

**Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*